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CHARLES L. WILLIAMS, *et al.*,
Petitioners,

v.

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION, *et al.*,
Respondents.

On Petition for Writ of Certiorari to the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

MEMORANDUM OF RESPONDENT CHICAGO PROFESSIONAL SPORTS LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

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Respondent Chicago Professional Sports Limited Partnership (the Chicago Bulls) requests that this Court defer its consideration of the petition for certiorari, for two reasons:

(1) The petition may be withdrawn as a result of a new collective bargaining agreement between the National Basketball Association and the National Basketball Players Association, as explained more fully in the other Respondents' memorandum dated today.

(2) This Court's decision in *Brown v. Pro Football, Inc.*, No. 95-388, may resolve or moot the issues presented by the petition. An affirmance in *Brown* would mandate an affirmance here and would render unnecessary any response to the petition. A reversal of *Brown* may or may not mandate a reversal here. The Chicago Bulls request that, if the Court reverses *Brown*, they be given the opportunity to respond to the pending petition in light of the grounds for reversal of *Brown*.

Respectfully submitted,

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